

BEL AIR DRAINAGE PROJECT UPDATE

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SE19TH STREET (CORAL REEF DRIVE)

The **Southeast 19th Street** drainage project is proceeding along as planned. About 75 percent of the underground pipes and structures have been installed.

To alleviate serious flooding in Bel Air, new drainage pipes will be installed on SE 19th west of Southeast 21st Avenue and along Southeast 19th Avenue.

The main trunk line is being installed on the south side of the street.

The Bel Air neighborhood was located in unincorporated Broward County before it was annexed into the Town back in 2001. As best as the Town staff can determine, the drainage system in the neighborhood is more than 20 years old.

The neighborhood drainage system has collapsed in multiple areas.

The contractor has four months to complete the work. The Town asks Bel Air homeowners to be patient and exercise caution while driving; the project is expected to disrupt traffic in and out of the neighborhood while work is underway.

There may be days when residents are required to enter or exit using the Ocean Walk entrance from Ocean Drive or exit from 19th Avenue. Ocean Walk has graciously agreed to allow residents the use of its private property. It has asked the Town to advise local residents to strictly obey the 10mph speed limit.

Due to the limited amount of space, it will be necessary to store construction materials in the Town right-of-way that extends 50 feet from the center of the

road. The restoration of the swales in the right- of-way is a vital part of the drainage that needed to be included in order to obtain all the necessary permits.

Construction on the project began Feb. 5.

If residents have questions or concerns, please call **Municipal Services Director Don Prince** at **954-275-0908**. His e-mail is donp@lbts-fl.gov.